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Arnold, Gingery receive 1994 Alumni Awards

Saturday, October 29, 1994 was a great day to be in Lincoln, Nebraska! The sky was brilliant blue, the Huskers were red hot, and the atmosphere at the Wick Center was warm and pleasant as alumni of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR) and the College of Human Resources and Family Sciences (HRFS) gathered for their annual Football Reunion and Awards Program.

Over 150 alumni and friends enjoyed an early breakfast buffet before the program, which included College Updates from Dean Donald Edwards - CASNR, and Dean Karen Craig - HRFS. Many of the items Dean Edwards reported to the group can be found in his column printed elsewhere in this issue of *The Sower*. CASNR is showing increases in enrollment and in the number of companies interviewing on campus,

both strong indicators of the quality of the institution and its students, and of the opportunities available to CASNR graduates.

The highlight of the program was the presentation of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Alumni Association (CASNRAA) 1994 Alumni Awards. Dr. Raymond Ward of Kearney, Awards Committee chairman, presented the Alumnus of the Year Award to Dr. Roy Arnold, of Corvallis, Oregon. Arnold, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs of Oregon State University, is a native of Lyons and a 1962 graduate of the University of Nebraska. He earned his master's degree and doctorate from Oregon State and joined the UNL faculty in 1967 as assistant professor of Food Science and Technology. He later served as associate professor, professor, department chair, and dean and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station. Dr.



Above: Award of Merit winner Robert O. Gingery (right) receives the plaque and kudos from Raymond Ward, Awards Committee chairman.

Right: Roy Arnold addresses fellow alumni upon garnering the Alumnus of the Year Award.

Arnold served five years as Vice Chancellor for the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources at UNL before returning to Oregon State in 1987.

Receiving the 1994 Award of Merit was Robert O. Gingery of Lincoln. Gingery is a native of Filley, and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees from UNL in 1942 and 1952. Starting his career as a teacher, Gingery is now retired from Farmland Industries, where he was division general manager. Always involved in civic affairs, Gingery has been active in such organizations as the Nebraska Ag 2001 Committee, the National Agricultural Alumni and Development Association and the Nebraska Agricultural Leadership Council, and has served as president of Partners of America, Capital City Kiwanis, Nebraska Ag Builders and the Nebraska Council for Public Relations in Agriculture.

Following the awards presentation, Dale Bacon of Lincoln "haunted" the audience with a few tales of supernatural occurrences on the UNL campus. And of



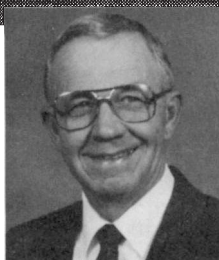
course, many of the alums then had the opportunity to attend the NU/CU football game. (Final Score: NU - 24, CU - 7) It was indeed a great day to be in Lincoln, wearing red, and proud to be a UNL alumnus!

Note: The CASNRAA Board of Directors will be accepting nominations for the 1995 Alumni Awards (Alumnus of the Year, Award of Merit and Honorary Life Membership) prior to August 15, 1995. Please contact the Wick Alumni Center for information and/or a nomination form.

FROM YOUR

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

Hello! I will introduce myself again, since many of you don't know me. I'm Gene Watermeier, a farmer from the Syracuse-Unadilla area. I'm serving as president of the CASNR Alumni Board for this year.



Gene Watermeier

Fall harvest is well along across the state as I write. Apparently, we are harvesting exceptional crop yields in many areas. I hope this year has been good for you, whatever your walk of life. Fall is a favorite time of year for me, especially when coupled with a good crop. The fall colors have been beautiful, as well as the sunrises and sunsets. We need to take time each day to enjoy nature's beauty, right before our eyes.

The Ag Alumni have been busy already this year, with the Board Retreat/Planning Meeting at UNK in June, the mentoring program kickoff just recently, and the Annual Football and Awards event held October 29th.

I believe the Alumni Association is an excellent opportunity to support our university and our college, in particular. It's an opportunity to associate with and encourage students, as well as renew friendships with fellow graduates. I really appreciate receiving updates from the college campus through reports and campus tours.

Some of you may have read the article in the October 1994 issue of *Farm Journal*, "Top Careers in Agriculture." It's an interesting article and talks about the diversity, and opportunity, of many ag majors. The article highlights the top 16 U.S.

undergraduate ag schools as ranked by The Gourman Report. The University of Nebraska was not included in this ranking. Let's not sell our college short! I'm not familiar with the Gourman Report and I'm certainly no authority on ranking colleges and universities, however, I do believe our college compares very favorably with any of the schools listed in this particular report.

Let's continue support of our college through our Alumni Association. I'm proud of our University, proud to be a UNL graduate, and feel the Alumni Association is an opportunity to provide support. If you aren't a member, I would encourage you to consider that possibility.

That's all for now. We welcome your input.

Gene Watermeier, President
RR 1, Box 125
Unadilla, NE 68454
402-269-2632

ASAP Program kickoff held October 20

The ASAP (Alumni and Students Associating Professionally) Mentoring Program officially kicked off the year with an informal dinner held at the Wick Alumni Center on Thursday, October 20. Response from the sophomore class was excellent again this year, and 26 students have been paired with a local professional in the student's career area.

This program, now in its third year, offers students an opportunity to gain first-hand information on their chosen career, and hopefully gain some valuable insight and advice as they continue planning their academic course. The program is intentionally open and unstructured, allowing the student-mentor teams freedom to arrange meetings according to their own schedules. Past participants have found the ASAP program to be helpful, enlightening and fun.

If you are interested in serving as a mentor to a CASNR student, please call the Wick Alumni Center, 402-472-2841, for further information.

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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK

On Saturday, October 29, 1994, the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Alumni Association held their annual fall reunion. This year it was held at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Wick Alumni Center in conjunction with Homecoming and prior to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln/Colorado football game. As special recognitions and awards were presented and acquaintances renewed, one must be impressed with the accomplishments of the graduates from the University of Nebraska College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources

(formerly the College of Agriculture). The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources is your college — past, present and future! Many times we refer to the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources (the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources is the academic component of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources) as having world class programs, faculty and students. Yesterday's students are today's alumni; today's students will soon join the ranks of alumni. Yesterday's world class students have done well; we believe the same will be said for the current. Let me introduce you to today's students:

Enrollments	1993	1994
Undergraduate	1375	1405
Agricultural and Biological Systems Engineering	100	114
Graduate	572	596
Total	2047	2115
Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, Curtis	205	235

- The 1994 total enrollment is over 90% of the all-time high college total enrollment in 1980.
- The ratio of men to women is at an all-time low of 2.7:1. Women represent 27% of the undergraduate and graduate enrollments — an all-time high. The ratio was over 50:1 in the late 1960s. Our goal is to increase the enrollment of women undergraduates to 40-50%.
- Minority undergraduate enrollment has increased to 1.4%, an all-time high. Our goal is to increase the minority enrollment to 7-10%.
- Twenty-two students are in the University Honors Program — an all-time high.

CASNR Undergraduate Enrollments by Major

Major	1993			1994		
	Women	Men	Total	Women	Men	Total
Agribusiness	46	193	239	50	183	233
Comment: New major in 1983						
Agricultural Economics	4	49	53	7	44	51
Agricultural Education	6	30	36	8	37	45
Comment: Agricultural Education can now be dual endorsed in basic sciences.						
Agricultural Engineering	0	46	46	2	46	48
Agricultural Honors	1	13	14	0	3	3
Comment: Major closed out in 1992.						
Agricultural Journalism	5	3	8	8	3	11
Agronomy	9	84	93	12	101	113
Comment: Largest enrollment since 1979.						
Animal Science	74	120	194	61	144	205
Comment: Largest enrollment since 1984.						
Biochemistry	6	4	10	8	7	15
Comment: New major in 1991.						
Biological Systems Engineering	16	36	52	20	46	66
Comment: New major in 1991						
Certificate	0	3	3	0	3	3
Comment: Major closed in 1992.						
Crop Protection	0	3	3	0	3	3
Environmental Studies	14	28	42	22	41	63
Comments: New major in 1991						
Fisheries and Wildlife	18	100	118	24	90	114
Comment: New major in 1991						
Food Science	22	18	40	21	16	37
Diversified Ag. Studies	10	67	77	6	72	78
Comment: New major in 1994; replaced General Agriculture						
Horticulture	30	59	89	43	64	107
Comment: All-time high enrollment						
Mechanized Systems Management	1	51	52	0	49	49
Comment: New major in 1992						
Undeclared - Natural Resources	6	34	40	6	31	37

Pre-Forestry	5	4	9	3	1	4
Pre-Veterinary	25	32	57	21	36	57
Range Science	3	6	9	5	5	10
Comment: New major in 1991						
Soil Science	3	4	7	3	4	7
Comment: New major in 1991						
Undeclared - Agricultural Science	7	17	24	4	16	20
Veterinary Science	42	64	106	42	59	101
Comment: New major in 1992						
Water Science	1	17	18	5	21	26
Comment: New major in 1991						

CASNR Graduate Enrollments By Department

Department	MS		PhD		Total	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	1993-94	1994-95
Agr. Economics	12	3	18	3	36	36
Agr./Lead, Ed & Comm[1]	11	1	2	0	18	14
Ag Meteorology[2]	(3)	(3)	(8)	(2)	(16)	(14)
Agronomy	52	22	78	17	172	169
Animal Science	19	10	33	9	78	71
Biochemistry	4	1	13	10	28	28
Biol Syst Engin[4]	34	6	24	1	51	65
Biometry	12	4	0	0	19(1)[2]	16
Entomology	7	3	19	4	28	33
Food Sci & Tech	12	15	17	2	39	46
Forest, Fish/Wildlife	20	13	6	3	35	42
Horticulture	6	6	7	2	22	21
Plant Pathology[3]	1	3	7	5	12	16
Vet Biomed Sci[5]	11	3	13	12	34	39
Total:	201	90	237	68	572	596

- [1] - PhD students obtain degrees in ACI or CHR programs in Teachers College
- [2] - Graduate degree programs are not offered so degrees are obtained from other departments. Numbers are not included in total.
- [3] - Degrees obtained through Biological Sciences. Head count credit - School of Biological Sciences.
- [4] - Engineering degrees are obtained through College of Engineering and Technology.
- [5] - PhD degrees are awarded by UNMC.

Why are we concerned about attracting and retaining high quality students in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources? During the past two years about 60% of the companies coming to interview students at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln came to the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. This fall the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources had the largest career fair in its history as 53 companies came to talk with College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources students about internships and careers following graduation. Why is this of significance? During the past several years, and we anticipate this trend will continue, over 70% of all graduates from the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources took jobs in Nebraska. Many of the others that take jobs outside Nebraska take jobs that have a positive influence upon the economy of Nebraska. We anticipate the job market to remain strong. The graduates from the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources have a significant impact upon the economy of Nebraska.

Enrollments continue to increase as we implement new majors and minors, improve current curriculum, continue to provide quality teaching and advising in modern state-of-the-art learning facilities, and the job market remains strong. An important component to this increase is the College of Agricultural Sciences and

Natural Resources' newly implemented transfer programs with community, state and private colleges and universities — referred to as "From Start to Finish."

Most important to the increase in enrollments in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources is the continued support of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources alumni. Your encouragement for young people to select a major in the college, provide job opportunities for graduates and financial support through scholarships, fellowships, internships and other gifts have made the difference.

As we look to the future, we need your continued guidance, encouragement and support. During the months and years ahead, we will continue to develop strategies and action plans; and visioning as to what the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources should be doing in the future.

In future issues of *The Sower*, I will share with you how you may be an active participant in strategic planning and visioning for the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources outreach program whereby academic programs are taken to the "students" regardless of location, and new multi-media teaching facilities.

Please visit your College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources soon. Many changes have occurred, more will be forthcoming.

Don Edwards, Dean

College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Student Ambassadors

Nine students are serving as Student Ambassadors for the 1994-95 school year. The Student Ambassadors are chosen through an application and interview process each spring. They work in the CASNR recruitment and placement office, which is housed in the Dean's office.

The Ambassadors have many responsibilities while serving for the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources. The overall goal of the Ambassadors is to generate awareness about agricultural sciences and natural resources careers to potential students, current students, and community leaders. One of the biggest actions which the program takes is recruitment of incoming students to the University. Ambassadors attend career fairs, agricultural expos, and high schools to promote the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

The Student Ambassadors also work with University administration to create an awareness of needed or current college student services, and help foster communication between administration and students. Additionally, they work on projects such as Biology Career Workshop, High School Scholars Research Program, and Red Letter Days. Other responsibilities include mailings to general studies majors and incoming students, and setting up tours for potential students and their families.

The Student Ambassador program also helps develop personal leadership and communication skills within the ambassadors. Organizational skills are developed while setting up large projects and working in the office of the Dean. Last, but certainly not least, the nine team members become very good friends with each other and with the staff and administration of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources.

Serving as CASNR Student Ambassadors for 1994-95 are:

Steve Coulter, Agribusiness, Ravenna
Diane Harrifeld, Agribusiness, Blue Hill

Michelle Heftie, Food Science and Technology, Wisner

Brent Katz, Agribusiness, DeWitt
Scott Keetle, Agricultural Education, Waverly

Mary Kimberly, Agribusiness/
Agricultural Education, Big Springs

Brian Kubik, Agricultural Education, Prague

Dawn Moody, Agricultural Journalism, Scotia

Jon Simonsen, Agricultural Economics/Agricultural Education, Superior



The 1994-95 CASNR Student Ambassadors: (Front, left to right) Scott Keetle, Mary Kimberly, Michelle Heftie, Diane Harrifeld, Dawn Moody. (Back, left to right) Brian Kubik, Steve Coulter, Brent Katz, Jon Simonsen.

Girl Scout Tech-Holiday

Saturday, October 22, 1994 was the date set for the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources to host the Homestead Girl Scout Council on the Tech-Holiday. The event began at 8:15 am and concluded at 11:30am. There were 330 Girl Scouts ranging from 4th to 6th grades on campus that day who experienced what CASNR has to offer. Forty-seven students, staff, and faculty members were on hand, serving as guides, helpers, and presenters.

High School Scholars Research Program

The High School Scholars Research Program (HSSRP) involves high school juniors and seniors in a science competition held on East Campus. Twenty-four students applied for this opportunity to present research that they have worked on during their high school years. Twenty students from Nebraska, Wyoming, and Missouri were selected to participate in the program, and the top ten applicants will present their symposiums. Faculty members judged the symposiums and interviewed the students. The top prize winner received a research grant of \$2,000 and full tuition scholarship. Second place received a \$2,000 research grant, and third place a \$1,000 research grant. HSSRP was held on Saturday, November 19, 1994.

Ag Career Day in York

On October 12, 1994, the First National Bank of York hosted three hundred high school students at Ag Career Day in York. Several individuals from CASNR gave presentations to the students, including Larry Larson, Kathy Anderson, Glenn Hoffman, Durward Smith, Mike Kocher, Cindy Cammack, Jack Schinstock, Del Hemsath of Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, and Dee Griffin of the Great Plains Vet Education Center.

Red Letter Days

Fall Fridays mean busy days for the recruitment office at the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources — as many as 150 students will attend Red Letter Days this fall! Each Red Letter Day is an opportunity for high school seniors who are interested in the University to come to campus. The students and their families are given the opportunity to come to East Campus in the afternoon where they can sit in on an information session given by the CASNR Student Ambassadors. The Student Ambassadors also lead them on tours of East Campus and answer questions from a student's point of view.

If you know of a student who may be interested in attending the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources at UNL, please contact the Office of the Dean, 402-472-2201, for recruitment information.

Placement Library moves

The Placement Library for CASNR has moved from 103 Ag Hall to 318 East Campus Union. This location makes the library easier for students, alumni and employers to access, and is near the on-campus interview rooms. The library is home to over 300 company files, company binders and videos, books on career planning and job hunting, current job listings, and a TV and VCR. The office was newly furnished in January 1994 by the Nebraska East Union; this fall a new computer was purchased with funds from the UNL Parents Association. This computer currently contains the Federal Opportunities Career Information System (FOICS) and the Nebraska Career Information System (NCIS). Office hours for the East Campus Career Services Center were increased to 30 hours/week in the fall of 1993, resulting in increased student usage of 217%. Office hours are 8am to noon Monday through Friday, with afternoon hours (1 - 5pm) on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The phone number is: 402-472-8273. Next time you're on campus, stop in and visit!

Career Services Center available to alumni

Are you currently seeking employment? Let the Career Services Center (CSC) at UNL help you! Registering with CSC gives you access to hundreds of employers. CSC keeps binders full of current job openings, including requests from several professional recruitment agencies. In addition to on-campus interviews, some employers request resumes of students and alumni. If you are registered and your qualifications match what an employer is seeking, your resume is sent to them. The fee is \$20/year for students, and \$45/year for alumni. CSC is located in the CASNR Placement Library, 318 East Campus Union. The phone number for information is 402-472-8273.

CASNR Career Day

The CASNR Career Day, Thursday, October 6, 1994, was a HUGE success! A record of 55 employers attended the event this fall, with over 460 students in attendance. Alpha Zeta and the Student Ambassadors helped make the day run smoothly by assisting employers in unloading and setting up displays, driving the shuttle vans, registering students, and hanging posters around campus. Employers who completed evaluations of the day rated it very high with comments such as, "above average," "best," and "superior." Most students also ranked the event as "good" or "excellent." If you are interested in obtaining employer names and addresses, please contact Janet Brejda at 402-472-8273.

Companies attending CASNR Career Day 1994:

Advance Personnel*
Ag Career Consulting
Agronomic Associates
American Cyanamid
Archer Daniels Midland
Asgrow Seed
Cargill
Cargill/Nutrena Feed Division
Cenex/Land O Lakes
Centrol
Christensen Farms*
Ciba Corporation
Collingwood Grain
Country General
Continental Grain/North American Grain
Continental Grain/Wayne Feeds
Crop Pro-Tech
Crop Quest
DeKalb Swine Breeders
DowElanco
Earl May Seed & Nursery*
Elanco Animal Health*
Elf Atochem North America
Excel Corporation
Farm Credit Services
Farmland Industries
Ford New Holland
Golden Harvest/J.C. Robinson Seed

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40-Year Honor Class:

1954

Norman L. Anders, General Ag, is vice president/ag loan officer of the Sherman County Bank in Loup City, Neb., and says he has spent his life making loans to farmers and ranchers. He and his wife, Glenda, have three daughters and six grandchildren who bring them great joy. A Big Red fan, Norman is looking forward to retiring in 1996.

Denzil O. Clegg, General Ag, lives in Granbury, Texas, where he is a real estate agent. Denzil retired in 1989 after a career with the Extension Service in Nebraska, Colorado, Illinois, Texas and with USDA in Washington. He and his wife Beverly have five children and six grandchildren who live in wonderful places for traveling: California, Colorado, Illinois, North Carolina, and

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Connecticut. Denzil encourages all "snowbirds" looking to relocate to give him a call!

Merton L. "Cap" Dierks is a rancher and veterinarian at Ewing, Neb. He and his wife, Gloria, have four children: Jon, Tom, Christopher and Stephanie — all graduates of UNL. Cap graduated from Kansas State University Veterinary College in 1961, at which time he returned to Ewing to start his veterinary practice. Elected to the Nebraska Legislature in 1986, he will begin his third term in January, 1995.

Delmar O. Fangmeier lives in Tucson, Ariz., where he is a professor in the

Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering at the University of Arizona.

David B. Fitz, BS - Ag Econ, MA - Ag Econ, lives in Cedar Park, Texas (Austin area), where he is involved in custom wood carving, wood working, and decorative painting. David is retired from USDA, where he was in charge of Federal Marketing Orders in California, Arizona, and Hawaii. He and his wife have two grandsons in the Dallas area and one in Indianapolis.

Jerry L. Jensen, Agronomy, is the retired CEO of Jensen Milk Transport, Inc. He lives in Lincoln, Neb.

Cal Kuska, Ag Journalism, lives at Highland Ranch, Colo. Cal and his wife Fran have been instrumental in establishing composting programs at the Air Force Academy, City and County of Salt Lake, Utah State University, Longmont Foods, a 1,000 acre certified organic vegetable grower and many feedlots and dairies. They have also established many municipal backyard composting programs, building understanding for larger scale programs. The Kuska's publish a newsletter, *Composting Age*, consult nationwide and overseas, and present programs on the subject.

Wayne Moody, General Ag, is a District Sales Manager for NC+ Hybrids Co., of Lincoln, Neb. He is responsible for sales in a portion of Nebraska, all of California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana and has been with NC+ for 20 years. Wayne and his wife, Norma, have three children and a granddaughter. Wayne is a retired USAF Reserve pilot, and has financial interest in a family farm at Auburn, Neb.

Maurice R. Norton, Technical Science, served in the U.S. Army from 1954-1958. He then attended Dental College at UNL, graduating in 1962 and retiring from practice at Louisville, Neb., in 1993. The Norton's are now full-time motor home travelers, enjoying seeing the country.

LeRoy V. Peters, Agronomy/Botany, retired in January 1989 after a career as a crop breeder. Working with a variety of crops, including sorghum, millet, corn and soybeans, Peters worked both with USAID and private seed companies, with assignments in Uganda, Botswana, Kenya, Sierra Leone, and Belize before retiring in Ponca City, Okla. The Peters' have six children, and while home-teaching was necessary during the first five years in Uganda, they all attended boarding school in Rome, Italy. Peters strongly believes their efforts were successful in both Africa and

Central America, as several scientists were trained and new crop varieties were developed and released to the farmers.

Charles W. Schuerman, Ag Economics is retired and lives in Lincoln, Neb.

Everett W. Spackman, Entomology, is retired and living in Laramie, Wyo. He worked for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture from 1954-1968 and then at the University of Wyoming as extension entomologist from 1968-1990. Everett and his wife, Eunice, have four sons spread over the U.S., and are active in a local genealogy society, with their church, reading, gardening and woodworking.

Dale Van Vleck, Technical Science, retired as professor emeritus from Cornell University in 1988 after 31 years in New York. He returned to Nebraska for a joint appointment with UNL and USDA Meat Animal Research Center, and has been author or co-author of several textbooks. Van Vleck received an Honorary Doctor of Science from UNL in 1986. He now lives in Lincoln.

CASNR Alumni Update Day — March 17, 1995

Whether you consider yourself a high-tech info-surfer, or road kill on the information highway, you'll benefit by attending the one-day "Windows on Agriculture" seminar, Friday, March 17, 1995. The successful agricultural professional must keep current with new technology, late-breaking research, market news and trends. Finding time to do that in the face of the ongoing demands of your job (whether that's fixing fence, meeting the needs of your clients, or gathering statistics on soybean production in Brazil) is tough to do. To survive, you

must be able to get the information you need, and get it in a timely fashion.

The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources has been a leader in developing cutting edge information delivery systems. The CASNR Alumni Update Day will help alumni discover some of the many ways they can tap into the vast reservoir of information available through the college. While the final program is not yet complete, topics being considered include: electronic information services, road maps for the information superhighway, evaluating commercial information services, sources for ag software, finding ag programming on satellite and cable TV systems, cost benefit analyses of the information you get (free or purchased), and tips on being a smart high-tech consumer.

Sound like information you could use in your business? Return the form to receive registration materials and a finalized agenda, or call Alice at 402-472-2841. Registration materials will be mailed in mid-January, 1995.

Mark your calendar now for the CASNR Alumni Update Day, Friday, March 17, 1995!

RESERVATION FORM

**CASNR Alumni Update Day
Friday, March 17, 1995**

Please send registration information to:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

(Materials will be mailed in mid-January, 1995)

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Company
Golden Sun Feeds
Growmark
Hastings Pork*
Hubbard Milling Company
Iowa Beef Processors
J. R. Simplot Company
Li-Cor*
Mennonite Central Committee
Murphy Family Farms
Nebraska Association of Resource Districts
Northrup King Company
NT Gargiulo, L.P.*
Pig Improvement Company

Pioneer Hi-Bred International
Servi-Tech
Syntex Animal Health
The Iowa Packing Company*
UNL Ag Economics*
UNL Graduate Studies
UNL Peace Corps
Upjohn/Tuco
USDA/APHIS
USDA/FHA
USDA/SCS
Walnut Grove

* - First Time Attending CASNR Career Day

25-Year Honor Class:

1969

Gary E. Fitch, Biochemistry, is a computer analyst living in Omaha with his wife, Marilyn, and teenagers Leanna and Tony. After graduation from UNL, Gary enlisted in the US Army Security Agency and was trained to be a translator/interpreter in the Vietnamese language. He served a ten-month tour in Vietnam. Following his military service, Gary studied computer programming and began working for Mutual of Omaha, where he has been for 21 years.

James D. Free, Food Science, is a dentist living in Bennet, Nebraska. He and his wife have seven children and a grandchild "pending." James says he has been "blessed beyond merit."

Roland L. Jensen, Animal Science and Ag Economics, is a farm manager and real estate salesman with Farmers National Company, working in southeast Nebraska, southwest Iowa, and northwest Missouri for the last 20 years. His hobbies include collecting toy tractors, yardwork, hunting and fishing, and attending Big Red games. Roland and his wife, Carla, have three children, Eric, Amy and Megan; the family lives in Nebraska City.

Marshall H. Jurgens, Animal Science, is a professor at Iowa State University in Ames, where he advises and teaches undergraduate students and conducts swine nutrition research. He and his wife, Kathy, co-own and operate a swimming pool and spa business, as well as serving as advisors for Alpha Gamma Rho and Sigma Kappa, respectively. They have two children, Elizabeth and David, both of whom attend UNL.

Cliff Knispel, Ag Education, is a farm manager and ag consultant living in Ogallala, Nebraska.

Dale T. Lindgren, Horticulture, is a professor of Horticulture at the University of Nebraska West Central Research & Extension Center in North Platte, Neb.

Mark Nyffeler, Wildlife, is a farmer at Columbus, Neb., where he raises corn, sweet corn, and “critter corn” (for squirrels). His wife Sharon (Sowder) is a private marriage and family counselor. They have three children: Debbie, '94 - UNK; Tracy, a junior at UNL; and Scott, a senior at Columbus High.

Paul Underwood, Ag Education and Mechanized Ag, farms at Exeter, Neb., and is co-owner and president of McCool Fertilizer Co. Paul taught Vo-Ag, FFA and Young Farmers at Geneva from 1969-1978, and has served as president of the Nebraska Grain Sorghum Producers Association. He and his wife, Cheri, have three young children. Paul says he enjoys “family, friends, sports and the customers we do business with.”

Stan Wallen, Ag Honors, lives in Albany, Calif., where he is General Manager/Vice President of the First Spice Mixing Co. of San Francisco. Stan has worked for the US Army Veterinary Food Inspection Service, earned his PhD from Iowa State, worked as an academic and a commercial laboratory manager. He also has worked in the meat and poultry industries. Stan’s wife is Soosan Lit Kouhi, and they have four children: Rebecca Ann, B.J., Pirooz and Roshann.

Dennis Wilkins, Ag Economics, is a farmer at Kennard, Neb. Dennis married Charlene Ahlborg in 1973, and they have four children: Brett, Ben, Brittany and Brianne. He has been a member of the Arlington School Board for ten years,

and the Arlington Education Foundation for seven years. Farming since 1971, Dennis has been active in soil conservation and recycling, and enjoys traveling and sports — especially watching his kids play, stock car racing and baseball.

Other Class Notes:

34 James D. Metzger recently sent *The Sower* a copy of his autobiography. It is a thorough and beautifully documented history of his life and career, and he expresses great gratitude to the University of Nebraska, the College of Agriculture, and the Extension Service for assistance throughout his life. Metzger was assigned as Flood Control Engineer to the Civilian Conservation Corp at Fairbury, Neb. in August, 1934, later going on to work in Turkey, where irrigation and other technology was developed to fit local needs. Jim and his wife, Verna, live in Sonoma, Calif.

35 R.C. Kinch, Agronomy, earned his MS in 1936 and began working as a seed analyst for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture. Kinch was professor of Agronomy at South Dakota State University in Brookings from 1945 until 1966, at which time he became professor emeritus. Kinch lives in Brookings, S.D.

47 Samuel C. Wiggins retired from the USDA/CSRS in 1992 after more than 11 years of service. Prior to that, he was chair of the Department of Plant and Soil Science at the University of Vermont. In addition, Wiggins held the positions of associate professor and assistant professor at Oklahoma State and Iowa State, respectively. He writes that he is now part owner and manager of a public golf course in Vermont during the summer.

82 Dan Lindstrom, Animal Science, earned his J.D. from UNL College of Law in 1986 and began his practice in Kearney, Neb. Dan is now a partner in the law firm of Jacobsen, Orr, Nelson, Wright, Harder & Lindstrom, P.C. , where he represents various agricultural and agribusiness clients. Dan is married to the former Carol Swanson, and they have three young children: Sam, Will and Kate.

90 Stacy Jo Lempka, Animal Science, attended Kansas State University College of Veterinary Medicine, graduating in May of 1994. Stacy is currently an associate veterinarian at Portage Park Animal Hospital and Dental Clinic in Chicago, Ill.

Michael E. Scholz, Ag Economics/ Animal Science/Agronomy, works for Van Diest Supply Company as area manager. Michael recently married Pam Gilbert and they are expecting their first child. They live in Lincoln, Neb.

What have you been up to since graduation?

The ALUMNI NOTES section of *The Sower* continues to be the best-read part of our effort to keep alumni informed about CASNR, UNL and ag grads. Studies over the years have shown that information published about alumni for alumni is well-received. Everyone wants to know about former classmates.

You may have, in the past, received a request for information about yourself in the mail. If you did, and responded, take another minute to update us all on what’s been happening in your life. If you received a request and did not respond, it’s time you did.

If you have NOT received a request for information about yourself, your career, your family, your interests and your observations about college life on East Campus, consider this a formal request; a few minutes of your time and a stamp will make *The Sower* more enjoyable to your friends and classmates.

Reminiscences about college life, as well as photos, are welcome, too! (Be sure to include your class year and major[s].)

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 - 12 - Homecoming.
 - 13 - Masters Week. (Bringing outstanding alumni to campus to speak.)
 - 14 - New Student Enrollment.
 - 15 - Student Scholarships.
 - 16 - Maintenance of the Wick Alumni Center, your home on campus.

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Graduation Celebration: Saturday, December 17

The College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Alumni Association invites all graduates, their families and friends, and fellow alumni to attend the Graduation Celebration Breakfast on Saturday, December 17th. This event, held prior to commencement exercises each May and December, honors all CASNR graduates and gives families a great place to gather on this special day. Continental breakfast will be served beginning at 7:30am at the Beef Barbecue Pit just east of the Devaney Center on the State Fairgrounds. This is an informal event — a chance to visit with faculty, friends and family. Please call Alice at 402-472-2841 for more information or to make reservations.

CASNRAA Calendar of Events

December 17, 1994: Graduation Celebration Breakfast, 7:30am, Beef Barbecue Pit, Fairgrounds

January 27, 1995: UNL Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting

February 25, 1995: Basketball Event, Nebraska vs. Colorado, Wick Center

March 17, 1995: College Tour

May 6, 1995: Graduation Celebration Breakfast, 7:30am, Beef Barbecue Pit, Fairgrounds

May 11-13, 1995: Class of 1955/Half Century Club Reunion

June 24, 1995: CASNR-AA Board Retreat, Scottsbluff

August 15, 1995: 1995 CASNR Alumni Award Nominations Due

Welcome, new alumni!

The CASNR-AA welcomes 30 August graduates of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources to the ranks of “alumni.” Our congratulations and best wishes to the following degree recipients:

B.S. in Agricultural Sciences

Julie Ann Arens.....Veterinary Science
Barton Everett Beattie.....Agribusiness
Roger Alan Boeckenhauer.....Ag Economics
John Levi DaMoude.....Agronomy
Gerald James Demuth II.....Veterinary Science
Reid Paul Hagstrom.....Agribusiness
Matthew J. Heimann.....Agribusiness
Chad Lee Hinze.....Animal Science
Travis Allen Hissong*.....Animal Science
Jeffery Scott Jacobs.....Agricultural Honors
Jan Marie Korth.....Agribusiness
Matthew William Kruse.....Ag Education
John Patrick Leece.....Animal Science
Destiny Duff Liebl.....Agronomy
Christopher Michael Leirmann.....Animal Science
Jeffrey Wade Maser....General Agriculture
William C. Matzke.....Agribusiness
Brian James Mlady***.....Animal Science
Travis Scott Moomey.....Agricultural Honors
Thomas Patrick Olmer.....Mechanized Systems Management

Rhonda Marie Ott.....Animal Science
Garold Wayne Schlatz, Jr.....Agribusiness
Sheri Lynn Scott.....Biochemistry
William G. Strong.....Animal Science
Troy Dean Urbom.....General Agriculture
Russell James Vering.....Animal Science
Elizabeth Ann Westcott.....Animal Science
Britt Ann Wrightsman.....Food Science & Technology

B.S. in Natural Resources

Jeff Jason Vifquain.....Fisheries & Wildlife
Gretchen Marie Wieker.....Fisheries & Wildlife

* - Denotes degree received with Distinction
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